

SOLICITATION INFORMATION

October 14, 2005

BID NUMBER #B05694

**TITLE: RI CONTRACT #2005 – CL-072
MEMORIAL PKWY LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT**

OPENING DATE AND TIME: 11/4/05 – 11:30 AM

PRE-BID/ PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: YES DATE: 10/25/05 TIME: 9:00 AM

MANDATORY: YES

**LOCATION: DOT
 2 CAPITOL HILL
 TMC – ROOM 126
 PROVIDENCE, RI 02903**

SURETY REQUIRED: YES

BOND REQUIRED: YES

**WILLIAM J. ANDERSON, C.P.M.
ADMINISTRATOR OF PURCHASING SYSTEMS**

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**Vendors must register on-line at the State Purchasing Website at
www.purchasing.ri.gov to be able to download a Bidder Certification Cover Form
which must accompany each offer.**

NOTE TO VENDORS:

**Offers received without the entire completed three-page RIVIP
Generated Bidder Certification Cover Form attached may result in
offer disqualification.**

THIS PAGE IS NOT A BIDDER CERTIFICATION FORM

NOTICE

**THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL ADDENDA TO THIS
BID/RFP AT ANY TIME BEFORE THE OPENING DATE AND TIME.**

THE DIVISION OF PURCHASES WILL NOT BE NOTIFYING BY MAIL OF ANY SUCH
ADDENDA.

IT IS THE **VENDOR'S RESPONSIBILITY** TO CHECK AND DOWNLOAD ANY AND
ALL ADDENDA.

AN ADDENDUM TO A BID/RFP IS LISTED AS THE BID NUMBER WITH AN "A" AND
THE NUMBER OF THE ADDENDUM FOLLOWING; FOR EXAMPLE, **3025A1**
INDICATES ADDENDUM #1 HAS BEEN ISSUED FOR BID 3025. **3025A2** INDICATES
ADDENDUM #2 HAS BEEN ISSUED.
YOU MUST CLICK ON ALL OF THESE LISTINGS TO GET THE COMPLETE PACKAGE.

IF NOT BIDDING ON ANY ITEM, DO NOT RESPOND,
IN ANY WAY, TO THE DIVISION OF PURCHASES.

DISCLAIMER

While the State of Rhode Island intends to maintain continuous access to this Website, from time to time access to information and/or documents may be interrupted or prevented either because of site problems, user problems or Internet problems. Not all access difficulties can be resolved by the State of Rhode Island since some access failures may be due to the type of computer or communication equipment and services employed by the Website User. However, it is the State's policy to provide a Help Desk (401) 222-2142 ext. 134 during regular business hours to assist Users in identifying and overcoming access problems.

To assure maximum access opportunities for Users, solicitations shall be posted on the RIVIP for a minimum of seven days and no amendments shall be made within the last five days before the date an offer is due. Vendors are cautioned that the competitive nature of their offers could be affected if their submissions do not include all amendments. For this reason, vendors are advised to revisit all solicitations to which they intend to respond five days prior to the due dates. If access to solicitations on the Website has been severely curtailed, it shall be the policy of the State to extend the due date of affected solicitations.

In some cases (e.g., road construction) copies of plans and specifications which cannot be offered online are issued with a requirement for a refundable deposit. In such instances, in addition to announcements provided on the RIVIP, vendors on the known lists of plans and specifications depositors will receive direct notification of amendments.

Except when access to the Website has been severely curtailed and it is determined by the Rhode Island State Purchasing Agent that special circumstances preclude extending a solicitation due date, requests to mail or fax hard copies of solicitations will not be honored.

When the result of an Internet solicitation of registered vendors is unsuccessful (no offers, one offer which exceeds the estimated cost) the State of Rhode Island will cancel the original solicitation and resolicit the original offer directly from vendors. The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to solicit offers from unregistered vendors as well as registered vendors.

*** THIS IS A DISK-BASED BID ***

ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURE NOTICE

All Bidders MUST register in person at the office of Contract Administration to obtain necessary Bidder Registration and Digital ID's.

NO BID OFFER WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROPER BIDDER REGISTRATION AND DIGITAL ID'S.

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RIDOT Provides:



CD



Plans (on CD)



**Contract Documents
(on CD)**



**DOQ Report
(on CD)**

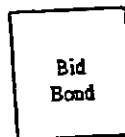
Bidder Must Submit:



**Readable 3 1/2"
High Density
Disk or CD**



**Completed &
Signed Proposal**



Completed Bond



Completed & Signed

Call the Contracts & Specifications Office at 222-2495
to request technical support on issues directly related to the
Department's Electronic Disk-Based Bidding Program.
Office Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

NO BID OFFER WILL BE CONSIDERED
UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A 3 1/2" DISK OR CD
CONTAINING THE BID PROPOSAL FILE

GENERATED BY THE RIDOT BID PREPARATION PROGRAM (QUEST LITE)

*Failure to comply will result in a mandatory disqualification per Section 102.07 of Part
100, General Requirements and Covenants of the RI Dept. of Transportation's Standard
Specifications for the Road and Bridge Construction, 2004 Edition*

Revision 7/08/04

Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT)

Notice to Contractors**THIS IS A DISK-BASED BID**

Bid offers will be accepted *only on disk/CD generated by RIDOT-supplied software called Quest Lite; each disk/CD must be accompanied by a hard copy signed offer printed from the software and submitted at the Bid Opening.* Minimum computer hardware and operating system requirements are listed here. *Training is strongly recommended; SEE BELOW.*

CONTACT:**RIDOT CONTRACTS & SPECIFICATIONS**Phone: **401-222-2495**

Rm. 108, Two Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02903

Hours: **Mon – Fri, 8:30AM– 4:00PM****1. Required Registration Codes for Each Bidder**

Registration Codes for RIDOT software are necessary to use the software; a firm only needs to register once to acquire secure, unique codes to be used with all RIDOT disk-based construction project bids.

2. The required Quest Lite installation software and all applicable Contract Documents are provided on a CD-ROM.

The Contract Documents include the RI Standard Specifications, 2004 edition and all subsequent revisions and addenda, the RI Standard Details, General Provisions, Special Provisions, Distribution of Quantities and Engineering Plans, and all other applicable documents.

3. Addenda, when necessary, are available on Purchases' RIVIP website

at: <http://www.purchasing.ri.gov/>

RIDOT will make all necessary addenda available at Purchases' web site. It is the plan-holders responsibility to poll the RIVIP to keep up-to-date on addenda.

4. Training can be requested up to three (3) days prior to the Bid Opening

Training is provided on request. Arrangements must be made through the RIDOT Contracts & Specifications Office at least three (3) days prior to the Bid Opening of the project.

5. Technical Support is available.**Minimum Computer Hardware and Operating System Requirements:**

- Windows 98 SE, Windows NT 4.0 (w/SP6), Windows 2000 (w/SP3) or Windows XP Pentium III
- 500MHz PC (1GHz recommended)
- CD-ROM Drive, Floppy Drive, Printer & 15" Monitor (17" recommended)
- 20GB Hard Disk with 1GB free (40 GB with 5 GB free recommended)
- 256 MB RAM (512 MB recommended)
- 32 MB Video Card (64 MB SVGA recommended)
- Internet Explorer 5.5 SP1 (Internet Explorer 6.0 SP1 recommended)

NOTICE TO HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE CONTRACTORS

Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT)
Contracts and Specifications

ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURES QUEST LITE UPGRADE

Effective September 12, 2005, bid offers for all RIDOT Contracts requiring the use of the Department's Quest Lite bid preparation software **MUST** be prepared using **Quest Lite Version 040406 (2.8.2)**. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the disqualification of your bid offer.

Full installation and upgrade-only software packages for Quest Lite Version 040406 (2.8.2) will be provided on the project advertising CD's, which are available to prospective bidders through the Contracts and Specifications office on or after the scheduled project advertising date.

Contractors presently using Quest Lite Version 040405 (2.8.1) need only install the upgrade package to complete the conversion.

For technical assistance, contact the Contracts and Specifications office at 222-2495.

08/23/05

QUEST LITE VERSION 040406 (2.8.2)

UPGRADE & FULL INSTALLATION

Effective September 12, 2005, bid offers prepared using the Department of Transportation's Quest Lite software must be prepared using Quest Lite Version 040406 (2.8.2). This new version (upgrade and full installation) is provided on all project CD's issued after August 23, 2005.

Before proceeding with any installations, note the following:

1. Most Quest Lite users will only require the installation of the upgrade version. To determine if the upgrade installation is sufficient, the present version of the Quest Lite installation must be determined. This is accomplished in Quest Lite by clicking on Help/About. If the present version is 040405 (2.8.1) then the upgrade installation is sufficient.
2. For earlier versions (versions below 2.8.1), the full installation of Quest Lite is required. (Note: if the full installation is required, the upgrade installation does not need to be performed after the full installation is completed.)

Installation Instructions – Upgrade Version

1. Close Quest Lite before attempting the installation.
2. Using the project CD, double-click on the "Upgrade Only" option provided on the Start page. (The Quest Lite installation software is located on the CD in the "Quest Lite Software Installation" directory.
3. When prompted for a password, enter "ridot".
4. Follow the instructions provided in the installation wizard to complete the installation.

Installation Instructions – Complete Installation

1. Close Quest Lite before attempting the installation.
2. Remove the existing installation of Quest Lite. To accomplish this, follow the instructions provided on pages 19 – 25 of the Quest Lite User Manual provided with the project CD. Follow the installation removal directions for the operating system in use on the machine.
3. Using the project CD, double-click on the "Complete Installation" option provided on the Start page. (The Quest Lite installation software is located on the CD in the "Quest Lite Software Installation" directory.
5. When prompted for a password, enter "ridot".
6. Follow the instructions provided on pages 11 - 18 in the Quest Lite User Manual to complete the installation.

For technical assistance, contact the Contracts & Specifications office at 222-2495.

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Department of Transportation - Design Section**

**Notice to Contractors
Special Provisions
Proposal
Contact Agreement
Contract Bond**

for the Performance of

Rhode Island Contract Number: 2005-CL-072

Rhode Island Federal-Aid\State-Aid Project Numbers: SB-RI00 (001), STP-TEA2 (129)

Project: VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKWAY LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT

Limits: FIRST STREET TO SQUANTUM ROAD

City/Town: EAST PROVIDENCE

County: PROVIDENCE

Submitted By: _____

Address: _____

Name of Surety: _____

Total Bid: _____

(BIDDER MUST FILL IN ALL ABOVE SPACES)

The basis of award of the Contract will be the total bid for all quantities of work in the proposal subject to review and correction as provided for in the Rhode Island Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and Standard Details.

NOTE: The State of Rhode Island Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and Standard Details consists of the following:

- The Rhode Island Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, 2004 Edition.
- The Rhode Island Standard Details, 1998 Edition, with all revisions.
- **The Rhode Island Bridge Standard Details, 2003 Edition**

*** Refer to Section 102.05 of the Standard Specifications for specifications regarding
the use of Quest Lite software for bid preparation.**

The above documents may be obtained at the Rhode Island Department of Transportation, Contracts and Specifications Office upon request.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - DIVISION OF PURCHASES

NOTICE TO HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE CONTRACTORS

Sealed Proposals addressed to the State Purchasing Agent, Rhode Island Department of Administration, Division of Purchases, One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, will be opened and read in public on **November 4, 2005** at 11:30am. All bidders MUST register online at www.purchasing.ri.gov. A Bidder Certification Cover Sheet MUST accompany each bid. Bid item description and quantities estimated for this project will also be available online. Should you need assistance in registering or downloading a bid, call (401) 222-2142 ext. 134. Failure to comply will result in mandatory disqualification per Item 4 of Section 102.12 of the Rhode Island Department of Transportation's Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction 2004 Edition and RI General Law 37-2-17 which references the RI Vendor Information Program (RIVIP).

DESCRIPTION: R.I. Contract No. 2005-CL-072, R.I. Federal Aid Project Nos. STP-TEA2 (129) and SB-RI00 (001) is for the Veterans Memorial Parkway Landscape Enhancements in East Providence at the Wachemoeket Cove Parking & Pump Station and Veterans Memorial Parkway Northern and Southern Gateways. The work includes, but is not limited to, the construction of a special graded aggregate driveway and parking lot off of Veterans Memorial Parkway, installation of chain link fence around the East Providence Pump Station, installation of benches, timber guardrail and plant material and loaming and seeding at the Wachemoeket Cove. The Veterans Memorial Parkway Gateways will consist of the installation of plant material along Veterans Parkway to form a northern and southern gateway to the Scenic Parkway.

Final completion for the entire work of this contract shall be on June 30, 2006. The plant material will have an extended establishment period from July 1, 2006 until October 31, 2007. Grass mowing at the Wachemoeket Cove (approximately one quarter(0.25+/-) acre) will also be included in the extended establishment period.

The Contractor will be required, in accordance with the provisions of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Affirmative Action Certification for Contractors and Consultants, to meet the established goal of not less than 10 percent of the contract bid price, including the established Race-Conscious goal of not less than 0 percent, to the Contractors, Subcontractors, and/or suppliers which qualify as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE's).

Computer Disks for competitive bidding for the above described work will be furnished by the Department of Transportation, Division of Administrative Services, Contracts & Specifications Office, Room 108, Two Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, 02903, Tel.Number (401)-222-2495. The Plans, Specifications and Special Provisions may also be examined on or after **October 14, 2005** every weekday except holidays between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

The Bid Package consists of a compact disk that contains the Contruction Plans, 2004 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, 2004 Compilation of Approved Specifications, December 2004 Supplement to the 2004 Compilation of Approved Specifications, Required Contract Provisions for Federal-Aid Construction Contracts, Rhode Island Standard Details, Bridge Standard Details, General Provisions, General Provisions-Contract Specific, Specifications-Job Specific, Distribution of Quantities, Federal Wages Rates, Quest Lite User Manual, Quest Lite Installation Software, and Quest Lite Bid File. Only complete bid packages will be issued.

Prospective bidders are hereby notified that all questions pertaining to this Contract shall be submitted to the Department of Transportation through it's website at www.dot.state.ri.us by accessing the questions menu located within the project listing under the "Administrative Services - Bids" link. Response to Questions submitted will also be posted under the project listing. Phone calls will not be accepted.

Please also note that all Bidding Documents required to be submitted and in fact submitted to the Purchasing Agent as part of a bid will be considered returned to the State and need not be returned to RIDOT.

A bid bond payable to the State of Rhode Island, in the amount of 5% of the total or gross sum of the bid must be furnished by each bidder. The Proposal Guaranty will be furnished by surety companies authorized/licensed to do business in the State of Rhode Island. The State reserves the right to retain the surety of all bidders until the

successful bidder enters into the Contract or until such time as the award or cancellation of the Contract is announced at which point Sureties will be returned to all bidders by the State of Rhode Island. A performance bond of one hundred (100) percent of the contract price with a satisfactory surety company will be required of the successful bidder. All surety companies must be listed with The Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Services, Circular 570, (Latest Revision published by the Federal Register). The Department of Transportation reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Required Contract Provisions - The attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that this project is to be bid upon and the contract executed under the rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of the Federal-Aid Highway Act, subject to all appropriate Federal Laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended and supplemented, and the required provisions for Federal - Aid Contracts, as provided for in Chapters 85, 86 and 88 of the Public Laws of Rhode Island, 1960.

Wages of labor on Federal -Aid Highway Projects - the prevailing rate of wages for laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors on the initial construction of highway projects on the Federal - Aid Highway System, authorized under the Federal Highway Act of 1968, shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on the same type of work on similar construction in the immediate locality as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor, in accordance with the Act of August 30, 1935, known as the Davis - Bacon Act, under Decision Nos. 1 through 6 as applicable.

Prevailing wage rates and Davis - Bacon Wage Determination Reference Materials are available online at www.purchasing.ri.gov. It is advisable to print only the pages applicable to this bid; the rates active on the Rhode Island Vendor Information Program's bid solicitation date for this project are applicable for the duration of the contract resulting from this bid.

Work Hours Act of 1962 - This contract is subject to Work Hours Act of 1962, Public Law 87-581 and implementing regulations.

Pre-Bid Conference – A Pre-Bid Conference will be held in Providence, Rhode Island, at the Department of Transportation in the **TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT CENTER (TMC)**, on **October 25, 2005 at 9:00am** for the purpose of reviewing construction problems and/or operations concerning the project. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify 401-222-4971 (T.D.D.) a minimum of at least three (3) business days, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the conference date.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

DIVISION OF PURCHASES

BY BRIAN P. STERN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING AGENT

SPECIAL NOTE

ANY REFERENCE TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OR THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS SHOULD BE REVISED TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION RESPECTIVELY.

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

To report bid rigging activities call:

1-800-424-9071

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) operates the above toll-free hotline Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the hotline to report such activities.

The hotline is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify, and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

Items List

Date: 9/22/2005

Project Name - VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKWAY LANDSCAPE
ENHANCEMENT

R.I. Contract No. - 2005-CL-072
FAP Nos: SB-RJ00 (001), STP-TEA2 (129)

Seq No.	Item Code	Description	Quantity	UM
001	201.0301	CUTTING AND DISPOSING ISOLATED TREES AND STUMPS (4"- 24")	15.00	EACH
002	201.0310	REMOVE AND DISPOSE SHRUBS	2.00	EACH
003	201.0409	REMOVE AND DISPOSE FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT	80.00	SY
004	201.0605	REMOVE AND DISPOSE GROUND MOUNTED SIGN BASES	2.00	EACH
005	201.9901	REMOVE AND RELOCATE BOULDERS	6.00	EACH
006	202.0100	EARTH EXCAVATION	375.00	CY
007	204.0100	TRIMMING AND FINE GRADING	3,430.00	SY
008	206.0201	BALED HAY EROSION CHECK STANDARD 9.1.0	320.00	LF
009	206.0208	REMOVAL OF BALED HAY EROSION CHECKS	320.00	LF
010	212.2000	CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE OF EROSION CONTROLS	1.00	LS
011	301.0200	GRAVEL BORROW BASE COURSE	300.00	CY
012	303.0100	SPECIAL GRADED AGGREGATE FOR SHAPING AND TRIMMING DRIVEWAYS OR SHOULDERS	150.00	CY
013	401.0200	BITUMINOUS SURFACE COURSE TYPE I-1	10.00	TON
014	902.9901	TIMBER GUARDRAIL	77.00	LF
S015	903.9901	8' BLACK VINYL COATED CHAIN LINK FENCE - HEAVY GAUGE	245.00	LF
S016	903.9902	8' BLACK VINYL COATED CHAIN LINK FENCE 12' DOUBLE GATE - HEAVY GAUGE	4.00	EACH
017	906.0602	BITUMINOUS BERM STANDARD 7.5.1	70.00	LF
018	914.5010	FLAGPERSONS	100.00	MHRS
019	914.5020	FLAGPERSONS - OVERTIME	10.00	MHRS
020	922.0100	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION SIGNS STANDARD 29.1.0 AND 27.1.1	40.00	SF
021	923.0200	FLUORESCENT TRAFFIC CONES STANDARD 26.1.0	25.00	EACH
022	929.0300	CHAMP MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	10,000.00	EACH
023	932.0200	FULL-DEPTH SAWCUT OF BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT	150.00	LF
024	943.0100	TRAINEE MAN-HOURS	200.00	MNHR
025	L01.9901	LOAM BORROW 6" DEEP	2,000.00	SY
026	L02.0102	RESIDENTIAL SEEDING (TYPE 2)	1,590.00	SY
027	L06.9901	AMELANCHIER CANADENSIS, SHADBLOW JUNE BERRY, 8'-10', B&B	4.00	EACH
028	L06.9902	JUNIPERUS CHIN 'SARGENTII', SARGENT JUNIPER, 18"-24", B&B	32.00	EACH
029	L06.9903	KALMIA LATIFOLIA, MOUNTAIN LAUREL, 2.5'-3', B&B	41.00	EACH
030	L06.9904	MYRICA PENNSYLVANICA, BAYBERRY, 2.5'-3', B&B	85.00	EACH
031	L06.9905	PICEA ABIES, NORWAY SPRUCE, 7'-8', B&B	2.00	EACH
032	L06.9906	PYRUS CALLERYANA 'ARISTOCRAT', CALLERY PEAR 'ARISTOCRAT', 2.5"-3" CAL., B&B	5.00	EACH
033	L06.9907	PRUNUS MARITIMA, BEACH PLUM, 2.5'-3', B&B	30.00	EACH
034	L06.9908	PINUS MUGO 'MUGHUS', MUGHUS MUGO PINE, 24"-30", B&B	30.00	EACH
035	L06.9909	PINUS STROBUS, EASTERN WHITE PINE, 7'-8', B&B	3.00	EACH
036	L06.9910	QUERCUS RUBRA, RED OAK, 2.5"-3" CAL., B&B	3.00	EACH

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Seq No.	Item Code	Description	Quantity	UM
037	L06.9911	RHODODENDRON 'ALBUM ELEGANS', ALBUM ELEGANS RHODODENDRON, 24"-30", B&B	66.00	EACH
038	L06.9912	RHODODENDRON 'SCINTILLATION', SCINTILLATION RHODODENDRON, 2.5'-3', B&B	57.00	EACH
039	L06.9913	SPIREA BUMALDA 'ANTHONY WATERER', SPIREA ANTHONY WATERER, 18"-24", B&B	16.00	EACH
040	L06.9914	THUJA OCCIDENTIALIS NIGRA, NIGRA AMERICAN ARBORVITAE, 7'-8', B&B	2.00	EACH
041	L07.0100	EXTENDED ESTABLISHMENT PERIOD	12.00	PMO
042	L15.9901	6-FOOT PARK BENCH	2.00	EACH